

Add: **SECTION 924 – COMMERCIAL, GROUND-MOUNTED SOLAR ENERGY INSTALLATIONS**

A. Setbacks. 30 V.S.A. § 248(s) states the following Minimum Setbacks for Ground-Mounted Solar:

Size of installation	From edge of state or municipal highway	From Property Boundaries
Greater than 150kW	100 feet	50 feet
Less than or equal to 150kW	100 feet	50 feet
Less than 15 kW	No requirement	No requirement

In accordance with 30 V.S.A. §248(s), the Board of Adjustment may approve a setback smaller than the minimums stated in 30 V.S.A. § 248(s) if agreed to by the applicant and each owner of property adjoining the smaller setback.

B. Screening. In accordance with 30 V.S.A. §248(b)(1) and 24 V.S.A. §4414 (15) and 24 V.S.A. §2291, the proposed development shall be landscaped or screened with evergreen plantings to ensure compatibility with adjoining areas. Solar arrays or structures shall be screened or landscaped to mask visibility from roads and/or adjoining properties. Natural screening using existing landscape features is encouraged. Any dead or diseased planting shall be replaced as soon as seasonally possible.